

## **TWENTYFIRST MEETING**

The Board of Commissioners of the County of Fremont, State of Colorado, met in Regular Session On October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024, 615 Macon Avenue, Room LL3, Fremont County Administration Building, Cañon City, Colorado. Chairman McFall called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Dwayne McFall	Commissioner	Present
Debbie Bell	Commissioner	Absent
Kevin Grantham	Commissioner	Present
Justin Grantham	Clerk and Recorder	Absent
Eric Bellas	County Attorney	Present
Tony Carochi	County Administrator	Present
Dan Victoria	Planning & Zoning Director	Present

### **INVOCATION**

Todd Luce from Grandview Christian Church gave the invocation.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Commissioner Grantham** moved to approve the agenda. Commissioner McFall seconded the motion. Upon Vote: Commissioner Grantham, aye; Commissioner McFall. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approval of Minutes / September 10, 2024, and September 24, 2024
2. Approval of Bills for \$1,573,535.26
3. Reschedule Board of County Commissioners Meeting from December 24, 2024, to Monday, December 23, 2024, at 9 a.m.
4. Reschedule Board of Human Services meeting from Tuesday, December 31, 2024, to Monday, December 30, 1:15 p.m.
5. Reschedule Board of Public Health and Environment meeting from Tuesday, December 31, 2024, to Monday, December 30, 2024, 2 p.m.
6. Ratification of Chairman's signature on Group Dental and Vision Insurance

application through Reliance Standard

7. Schedule Public Hearing: None.

**Commissioner McFall** moved to approve the consent agenda. Commissioner Grantham seconded the motion. Upon Vote: Commissioner McFall, aye; Commissioner Grantham, aye. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

**ADMINISTRATIVE & INFORMATIONAL**

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1. Staff / Elected Officials:

- a. Public Trustee Quarterly Report, Kathy Elliott, County Treasurer & Public Trustee

**Public Trustee and County Treasurer Kathy Elliott** gave the quarterly report which can be found in its entirety on [www.fremontcountyco.gov](http://www.fremontcountyco.gov)

**Commissioner Grantham** moved to accept the Public Trustee quarterly report. Commissioner McFall seconded the motion. Upon Vote: Commissioner Grantham, aye; Commissioner McFall, aye. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

- b. County Administrator Report, Tony Carochi, County Administrator

**County Manager Carochi** gave the County Administrator Report, which can be found on in its entirety at [www.fremontcountyco.gov](http://www.fremontcountyco.gov).

2. Citizens who wish to address the Commissioners on a matter not scheduled on the agenda

**Dave Roberts** said that several months ago a big storm washed out the road at 11<sup>th</sup> and Q street. Mr. Roberts said he contacted the road department which they then informed him that there was an abundance of roads that needed to be graded and his was added onto the list. He said that was several months ago. Then approximately two weeks ago the road grader came out and graded from 8<sup>th</sup> street to 12<sup>th</sup> street but still left the big rocks in the street. Mr. Roberts said this made him very upset and he contacted the road department once again to let them know what had happened. A few days after he made that phone call, the road crew showed up again, this time with two road graders. Unfortunately, he expressed that once again the road department still did not fix the road, he said that he believes that instead of the department obtaining more gravel to properly rebuild the road base they scooped up gravel from the end of the street and just pushed it down the rest which then just made all three streets worse. Mr. Roberts said that in 1996 when he wanted to subdivide his property the county would not approve it until he built a proper road and then in return the county would take responsibility for maintaining it.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

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1. Requesting the issuance of a Malt, Vinous, and Spiritous & Fermented Malt Beverage Special Event Permit, The Royal Gorge Chamber Alliance Foundation for an event at Pathfinder Park & Event Center 6655 HWY 115, Florence, CO 81226 on the following date: October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024, from 4:00pm to 10:00pm.  
Representative: Emmaly Dennehy

**Ms. Dennehy** said this event is a fundraiser called “Pasta for a Purpose”, it is an annual scholarship fundraiser for students that are residents of Fremont County. The previous year the fundraiser raised a total of \$10,000, allowing the Royal Gorge Chamber Alliance to give 10 PCC students a \$1,000 grant.

**Commissioner Grantham** asked if the servers that will be present at the event have any liquor training and what the security measures will be for the event.

**Ms. Dennehy** replied that all servers have attended training, and everyone present at the event knows to ID everybody that orders alcohol.

**BOCC Clerk Sammy Ryan** said that Ms. Dennehy turned in the application before the 45-day requirement. There was not a report received back from the Sheriff’s office or Public Health, most likely because this organization has already done several events and this specific location this year. That would explain the large time gap between receiving the application and it being reviewed by the county attorney because the Clerk and Recorder’s office has 10 business day wait policy. County Attorney Bellas did not find any deficiencies in the application. After a thorough review the Clerk’s office recommends approval.

**Commissioner Grantham** moved to approve the issuance of a malt, vinous, and spiritous and fermented malt beverage special event permit for Royal Gorge Chamber Alliance Foundation for an event at Pathfinder Park Event Center at 6655 Highway 115 in Florence on October 25<sup>th</sup> from 4pm to 10pm. Commissioner McFall seconded the motion. Upon Vote: Commissioner Grantham, aye; Commissioner McFall, aye. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

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2. Requesting the issuance of a Malt, Vinous, and Spiritous & Fermented Malt Beverage Special Event Permit, The Kindred Kids Child Advocacy Center for an event at Pathfinder Park & Event Center 6655 HWY 115, Florence, CO 81226 on the following date: November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024, from 6:00pm to 10:00pm.  
Representative: Lori Jenkins

**Ms. Jenkins** said that the event is the annual Night of Heros to raise funds for the center that are not grant funded like taxi rides, emergency housing, emergency shelters, and snacks for children. The event

is anticipated to have around 250 guests. A new element that will be added to the event is that a guest speaker will tell her story of surviving child abuse.

**BOCC Clerk Sammy Ryan** said that the Public Health department and the Sheriff's Office recommended approval. The application states the event will take place from 3pm to midnight and then on the event coordinator application it says 6pm to 10pm. The reason for this is because Ms. Jenkins wasn't sure if the times needed to account for set up and clean up time, but the actual times that alcohol will be served is from 6pm to 10pm. The Clerk's office recommends approval.

**Commissioner McFall** asked Ms. Jenkins if any of the servers had any formal training.

**Ms. Jenkins** replied that they have contracted with Thunder Road to serve the alcohol, and all their servers are trained. She also said that there will be security posted at all the doors.

**Commissioner Grantham** moved to approve the request for the issuance of a malt, vinous, and spiritous and fermented malt beverage special event permit for the Kindred Kids Child Advocacy Center for an event at Pathfinder Park and Event Center 6655 HWY 115 in Florence on November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024, from 6pm to 10pm. Commissioner McFall seconded the motion. Upon Vote: Commissioner Grantham, aye; Commissioner McFall, aye. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

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3. Appointment of a new member to the Fremont County Tourism Council with a term expiring 12/31/2026.

**Commissioner Grantham** said that the board received a request from Kelly Branyik to join the Fremont County Tourism Board. He said that she is a local travel agent in Fremont County, so she is obviously very familiar with the travel industry here and the application submitted was excellent.

**Commissioner Grantham** moved for the appointment of Kelly Branyik to the Fremont County Tourism Council with a term expiring December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2026. Commissioner McFall seconded the motion. Upon Vote: Commissioner Grantham, aye; Commissioner McFall, aye. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

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4. Reappointment of Grant Schemmel to the Fremont County Airport Advisory Board with a term expiring October 1, 2027.

**Commissioner Grantham** said that Mr. Schemmel is a longtime member of the Airport Advisory Board and has requested to be reappointed.

**Commissioner Grantham** moved to reappoint Grant Schemmel to the Fremont County Airport Advisory Board with a term expiring October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2027. Commissioner McFall seconded the motion.

Upon Vote: Commissioner Grantham, aye; Commissioner McFall, aye. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

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5. Reappointment of Tami Ratkovich to the Fremont County 4-H Sale Committee with a term expiring December 31, 2027.

**Commissioner McFall** said that Ms. Ratkovich has been on the Sales Committee for a number of years and she does a great job at organizing the livestock auction sales.

**Commissioner McFall** moved to reappoint Tami Ratkovich to the Fremont County Sales Committee with a term ending December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2027. Commissioner Grantham seconded the motion. Upon Vote: Commissioner McFall, aye; Commissioner Grantham, aye. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

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6. Reappointment of Tami Ratkovich to the Fremont County Fair Board with a term expiring December 31, 2027.

**Commissioner McFall** moved to reappoint Tami Ratkovich to the Fremont County Fair Board term ending December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2027. Commissioner Grantham seconded the motion. Upon Vote: Commissioner McFall, aye; Commissioner Grantham, aye. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

**Commissioner McFall** adjourned the meeting at **9:37am**.

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JkoWjXSBZfc>

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Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners